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Majority prices were generally unchanged when compared to previous week. Trade sentiment was steady. Retail demand following the weekend was light to moderate with limited features. Food service covered the full range with best interest into delis, fast food, and sports bars. Supplies of all sizes were usually more than sufficient to handle trade needs. In the parts structure, demand was light to no better than fair with conditions being monitored. Availability of all items was at least adequate to ample with mixed interest. In production areas, live supplies were moderate. Weights were desirable to heavy, but mostly desirable.

Final Report of prices negotiated for trucklot sales of ready-to-cook ice-packed broiler/fryers (includes branded product) to be delivered to first receivers at major market centers week of 23-OCT-2006 (cents per lb)

AREAS	MAJORITY	US GRADE A		COMPOSITE	
		WTD AVG	LOADS	WTD AVG	LOADS
Boston/New England	TFEWR		:	61.16	24
Chicago	57.00-60.00	58.72	36 :	59.54	63
Ohio Cities	TFEWR		:	57.95	16
Denver	76.50	76.50	13 :	77.39	14
Detroit	59.00-60.00	60.09	11 :	61.82	52
Los Angeles	77.00	75.58	66 :	70.12	150
New York	60.00-63.00	61.86	21 :	63.86	66
Philadelphia	58.50-61.00	60.36	11 :	60.30	22
Pittsburgh	59.00-62.00	60.82	11 :	65.35	56
St. Louis	58.25-58.50	58.03	20 :	59.10	34
San Francisco	77.50	76.97	32 :	79.69	59

Composite Weighted Average

Loads	10/23/06	Change Last Wk	10/16/06	10/24/05
556	65.48	-.09	65.57	68.69

WOG BROILERS (without giblets) - prices paid per lb delvd to first receivers in trucklot and less than trucklot quantities.

REGIONS	Majority	Wtd Avg	Loads
Eastern	61.25-64.50	63.61	39
Central	53.00-65.00	60.82	64
Western	60.00-68.00	65.18	34
Southeast Area FOB Dock Equivalent			
Mississippi	67.00-70.00	68.72	92

GEORGIA F.O.B. DOCK PRICES Georgia f.o.b. dock quoted price on broilers/fryers for this week's trading is 69.50 cents based on ice-packed USDA grade "A" sized 2 1/2 to 3 pound birds.

LOADS	RANGE	MONDAY FINAL WTD AVG FOB DOCK OR EQUIVALENT
1,144	57.00-70.25	68.39

The Georgia f.o.b. dock confirmed final weighted average prices on ice packed parts:

	WTD AVG	VOLUME
LINE RUN TENDERS	151.00	1,416
BREASTS - B/S	119.00	5,884
BREASTS - WHOLE	75.00	1,483
THIGH MEAT - B/S	78.50	1,152
LEG QUARTERS	28.50	9,187
WINGS	89.50	2,810

THIS INFORMATION IS SUPPLIED BY THE GEORGIA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE'S POULTRY MARKET NEWS SERVICE.

NORTHEAST REGION BROILER/FRYER Trucklot buying activity on ready-to-cook whole broiler/fryers generally light to fair following the weekend. Offerings of all sizes were adequate to fully adequate for current trade needs. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair. The market tone was steady. In the parts complex, breast items and tenders were at least adequate to fully adequate; wings were at least sufficient for current needs. Dark meat cuts were mostly adequate.

SOUTHERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Trade sentiment was generally steady. Retail and food service demand following the weekend was light to fair with trading usually limited to regular commitments. Supplies of all sizes were more than sufficient, but at times well cleared for heavier wogs. In the parts structure, interest was mostly fair with supplies more manageable and not as plentiful as before, but still readily available to satisfy needs. In production areas, live supplies were moderate at mixed, but mostly desirable weights.

WESTERN REGION BROILER/FRYERS Final majority prices were unchanged throughout the region. The market tone was overall steady. Trading reported on regular commitments at mainly unchanged prices with new negotiations generally higher. Offerings were overall adequate for immediate needs. Buying activity was moderate at best. Retailer demand was light to moderate with best interest to cover planned feature activities. Dealers reported satisfactory weekend clearances. The market tone was about steady on parts. Trading reported on parts at 29.5-32 for leg quarters, leg meat 66-68, wings 88-95, breast with bone attached 79-92 and boneless breast 91- 100. The Los Angeles negotiated WOG weighted average was 60.85 up 1.89, unchanged on the volume reported at 26 loads.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER Final majority prices into Midwest markets were unchanged; Ohio cities TFEWR. Whole broiler/fryer market tone was steady. Offerings available for the light trade call. Retail demand was light to moderate at best. Food service was light to fairly good; best into sports bar restaurants, delicatessens and fast food. Floor stocks were adequate to long; weights mostly desirable. Parts trade activity was limited to light needs. Supplies of parts were available with wings and dark meat in longest position. The market tone on parts was about steady to weak.

DELMARVA BROILER/FRYERS Movement of ready-to-cook whole birds was seasonally light to fair. Seller offerings were adequate to fully adequate. Live supplies were moderate; weights were desirable to heavy. Processor schedules were moderate to light. Less than trucklot asking prices were unchanged at 61 to 73 cents. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. In the parts complex, offerings were adequate to fully adequate.

*BROILER/FRYER CURRENT NEGOTIATED PRICES FOR IMMEDIATE DELIVERY INCLUDES MOSTLY MULTIPLE-DROP SHIPMENTS OF BRANDED AND WING TAGGED TO NEW YORK CITY FROM DELMARVA

BRANDED U.S. GRADE A

RANGE	57-74
WEIGHTED AVERAGE	(A)
NO. OF BOXES	(A)

(A) Not reported to avoid disclosing individual operations

NORTHEAST BROILER/FRYER PARTS Trucklot buying interest was generally fair at best entering the week as dealers cautiously monitor market conditions. Offerings of breast items and tenders were fully adequate for current needs; dark meat cuts were adequate at least adequate. Wings were at least sufficient. Movement through retail and distributive channels was fair to instances moderate. The market tone was barely steady for breast items and tenders. The balance of items were mostly steady.

ICE PACKED BROILER/FRYER PARTS, DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS IN POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES, CENTS PER POUND

ITEM	CURRENT NEGOTIATED TRADING	WTD AVG	VOLUME /LBS
BREAST - B/S	100-105	93.52	696,400
TENDERLOINS	85-90	85.14	159,500
BREAST - WITH RIBS	69-70	77.96	42,840
BREAST - LINE RUN	69	68.50	72,000
LEGS	39-40	34.28	217,680
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	28-29	29.03	316,760
DRUMSTICKS	29-30	32.88	73,900
THIGHS	25-26	37.04	18,840
B/S THIGHS	80-81	80.12	145,960
WINGS (WHOLE)	84-85	88.69	214,860
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	10-12	11.46	28,080
LIVERS (5 POUND TUBS)	30-35	26.65	18,640
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	55-60	56.23	19,440

INCLUDES NEW YORK CITY METROPOLITAN AREA, NORTHERN NEW JERSEY, MASSACHUSETTS, CONNECTICUT, RHODE ISLAND, AND PENNSYLVANIA (NORTHEAST OF HARRISBURG).

* TODAY'S NEGOTIATED SALES AS OF 11:30 A.M.

** WTD AVG PRICE OF ALL GRADES AND BRANDS OF PRODUCT SHIPPED, OR TO BE SHIPPED AS OF 1:30 P.M.

ARKANSAS BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	LBS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WT. AVG
BREAST - B/S	1,776	80.00-198.00	85-96	97.71
TENDERLOINS	461	70.00-185.00	-	93.80
BREAST - WITH RIBS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	1,311	21.00-28.00	23	23.83
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	2,031	24.00-28.00	24-25	24.45
WINGS (WHOLE)	560	61.00-95.00	82	81.14
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

ESTIMATED SLAUGHTER OF BROILER-FRYERS (IN THOUSANDS)

	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	AVG WTS	ACTUAL	AVG WTS
	10/23	10/19	10/19	10/16	10/12
Alabama	3,917	3,955	5.44	3,763	5.42
Arkansas	5,327	5,295	5.34	5,222	5.32
Delmarva	1,963	2,307	5.70	2,243	5.73
KY-LA-TN	2,341	2,386	5.09	2,278	5.11
Mississippi	2,891	2,881	5.92	2,892	5.94
North Carolina	2,289	2,277	7.04	2,655	6.79
Texas	2,500	2,550	5.28	2,528	5.35
Total	21,228	21,651	5.62	21,581	5.62
Mon	21,228(A)			21,581(A)	

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 23-Oct 2006

is estimated to be 31,759,000 down 1.93 percent from a week ago.

and down 1.8 percent from a year ago.

(last week 32,384,000 last year 32,356,000)

SOUTHERN STATES BROILER/FRYER PARTS F.O.B. DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, ICED-PACKED, PRICES SHOWN ARE DAY OF SHIPMENT (INCLUDES CURRENT AND PRIOR NEGOTIATIONS), TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUME, CENTS PER POUND.

ITEM	POUNDS (000)	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
BREAST - B/S	505	82.00-162.00	-	99.05
TENDERLOINS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
BREAST - LINE		RUN TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FRONT HALVES		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
LEGS	243	29.00-41.00	30	30.96
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	563	19.00-29.00	23-24	23.55
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	704	20.00-31.00	25	25.01
WINGS (WHOLE)	308	72.00-93.00	-	79.20
WINGS (CUT)	270	90.00-100.00	-	95.74
DRUMSTICKS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		
B/S THIGHS		TOO FEW TO REPORT		

WHOLE BODY INDEX BASED ON SOUTHERN STATES PARTS

TRADING FOR OCT 23, 2006 — F.O.B. DOCK.

RANGE	TODAY'S AVERAGE	5-DAY AVERAGE
34.50 - 42.00	38.11	37.52

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

MIDWEST REGION BROILER/FRYER PARTS ICE-PACKED POOL TRUCKLOT AND TRUCKLOT QUANTITIES DELIVERED TO: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, AND WI WEEK OF 23-OCT-TO 27-OCT-2006

Price (Cents) Per Lb. Mostly

BREAST - B/S	81.00 - 109.00	81.00 - 96.00
BREAST - LINE RUN	59.00 - 89.00	69.00 - 74.00
LEGS	32.00 - 43.00	-
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	23.00 - 32.00	27.00 - 30.00
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	29.00 - 34.00	29.00 - 31.00
DRUMSTICKS	25.00 - 40.00	-
THIGHS	20.00 - 32.00	-
WINGS (WHOLE)	69.00 - 94.00	85.00 - 90.00
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	12.00 - 23.00	-
LIVERS	30.00 - 38.00	-
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	37.00 - 55.00	-

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED POULTRY, DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
WOGS 2# & UP - WHOLE	82-100
WOGS 2# & UP - CUT UP 8&9 PIECES	85.5-102.5
FROZEN HENS 5# & UP	
FROZEN DUCKS	
FROZEN SQUABS	

DELIVERED TO RETAILERS IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA)

FRESH FRYERS	91-100
ROASTERS 4# & UP	99-108
HENS UNDER 5#	
HENS OVER 5#	65-74
DUCKS	
RABBITS-WHOLE	
RABBITS-CUT UP	

SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED POULTRY

DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
FRESH FRYERS	ICE PACK 93-105
	DRY PACK 110-114
ROASTERS 4# & UP	ICE PACK 98
	DRY PACK 111-118
HENS OVER 5#	ICE PACK 86-100
	DRY PACK 100-107
DUCKS	190-195

EASTERN REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE EASTERN REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

OCTOBER 20, 2006				
CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —				
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	16.00	16.00-18.00	373,000	52,000
WTD AVERAGE	16.00	17.12		
15-20%				
RANGE	15.50-21.00	12.00-16.00	1,858,000	958,000
WTD AVERAGE	18.17	14.13		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	13.00-14.00	120,000	-
WTD AVERAGE		13.33		

*INCLUDES THE STATES of CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, VA, VT, WV

CENTRAL REGION MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN

F.O.B. SHIPPER DOCK OR EQUIVALENT, PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR MECHANICALLY SEPARATED CHICKEN IN THE CENTRAL REGION IN TRUCKLOT AND LESS THAN TRUCKLOT VOLUMES, CENTS PER POUND, DELIVERY WITHIN TWO WEEKS.

OCTOBER 20, 2006				
CHICKEN WITH SKIN ADDED — PRICES — VOLUME —				
(Cents per Pound)				
FAT CONTENT	FROZEN	FRESH	TOTAL	EXPORT
15% OR LESS				
RANGE	-	17.00	40,800	-
WTD AVERAGE		17.00		
15-20%				
RANGE	14.00-19.50	10.00-16.00	1,950,800	1,262,800
WTD AVERAGE	15.73	12.95		
20% OR MORE				
RANGE	-	-	-	-
WTD AVERAGE				

*INCLUDES THE STATES of AL, AR, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, MS, ND, NE, OK, OH, SD, TN, TX, WI

SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY HEN Prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was fair to moderate for the at least adequate to fully adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were noted as normal. Sales of finished product was fair. The undertone was steady

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 23-OCT-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-7 CENTS/LB.		4.94
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN Prices were generally unchanged. Demand was moderate for spent hens. Schedules were reduced. Finished sales were fair. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)*
FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 23-OCT-06

	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD AVG
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	2-8 CENTS/LB.		5.37

*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

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